

Remarks

The Examiner has required that Applicant label “box-type drawing elements” in Figures 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D in accordance with 37 CFR 1.84(o). The Examiner specifically cites reference numbers 234 in Figure 5A, 235 and 238 in Figure 5B, 235 and 239 in Figure 5C, and 235 and 240 in Figure 5D. Applicant respectfully submits that such labelling is inappropriate.

37 CFR 1.84(o) states “[s]uitable descriptive legends *may* be used...where *necessary* for understanding of the drawing. *They should contain as few words as possible.*” [Emphasis added.]

Figures 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D are neither flowcharts nor diagrams, nor are the elements in question “box-type elements”. Figures 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D are cross-sectional views illustrating the physical structure of the devices in question. The use of descriptive legends as contemplated by 37 CFR 1.84(o) is not believed to be either helpful or appropriate in this instance.

The reference numbers are clearly referred to in the specification, and are thus, fully disclosed and identified as follows:

235: lead cable, as found, at least, at page 23, line 4, of the specification;

238: cylindrical dielectric lens element, as found, at least, at page 23, lines 24 and 25, of the specification;

239: cylindrical plano-concave dielectric lens element, as found, at least, at page 24, line 11, of the specification; and

240: cylindrical plano-convex dielectric lens element, as found, at least, at page 24, line 24, of the specification.

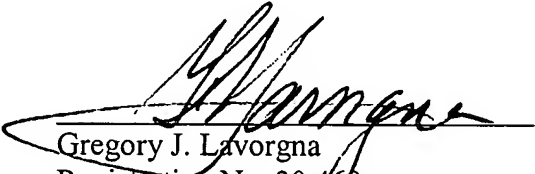
It is respectfully submitted that labelling of those elements would be inappropriate at least in view of the directive of 37 CFR 1.84(o) to contain as few words as possible. It is also respectfully submitted that such labelling is not necessary to provide understanding of the figures as the figures and their elements are fully disclosed and discussed in the specification. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Figures 5A, 5B, 5C and 5D are proper in their current form, and their approval is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, and Applicant respectfully requests that allowance be granted at the earliest date possible. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding Applicant’s

amendments or response, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at (215) 988.2700.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory J. Lavorgna
Registration No. 30,469
DRINKER BIDDLE & REATH LLP
One Logan Square
18th and Cherry Streets
Philadelphia, PA 19103-6996
Tel: (215) 988.3309
Fax: (215) 988.2757